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REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2005.

By this Amendment, non-elected claims 3-7 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer as per the Examiner's request. Please note that the cancellation of claims 3-7 is made to expedite the allowance of the present application and that Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims. Thus, claims 1 and 2 are pending in this application.

In view of this Amendment, Applicant believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration in light of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, all the claims now pending in the present application are believed to be clearly patentable. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration of the claims in light of the above remarks is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the below-listed number.

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